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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: POSTPONEMENT OF BILATERAL ECONOMIC TALKS

REF: LAGOS 2262

1. IN MEETING WITH EVONOMIC COUNSELOR AND MYSELF, MEA
ECONOMIC DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR AFOLABI STATED THAT REAONS FOR
CANCELLATION OF WORKING GROUPS' TRIP BY HEAD OF STATE WERE
INADEQUATE FUNDS AND WORKING TIME PRIOR TO PRESIDENT'S VISIT.
2. AFOLABI CONFIRMED HE HAD SPOKEN DIRECTLY WITH OBASANJO
AND COULD ASSURE US THAT OBASANJO REMAINED FULLY SUPPORTIVE
OF THE GENERAL CONCEPT AND PURPOSES OF THE WORKING GROUPS AND
THEIR EVENTUAL DISCUSSIONS IN THE US. AFOLABI SAYS CABINET
AND MINISTRIES WERE EQUALLY ENTHUSIASTIC IN SUPPORT OF
TRIP AND THAT AGENDA PROPOSED BY EMBASSY WENT FAR TOUSSFATISFY
NEEDS AND ZFTERESTS OF FMG AS DISCUSSED IN NOVEMBER 1978
BILATERAL TALKS. HE SAW VISIT TAKING PLACE 'SOMETIME AFTER'
APRIL 1-2 OBASANJO-CARTER MEETING. AS TRIP WOULD DRAW ON
1978-79 BUDGET, HE BELIEVED THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEM WITH FUNDING.
3. AFOLABI RECOMMENDED THAT JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY
PRESIDENT AND HEAD OF STATE ON CONCLUSION OF THEIR LAGOS
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MEETING SPECIFICALLY CITE FORTHCOMING WORKING GROUP VISIT.

4. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE AF/W INFORMING LAWRENCE GELLER,
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, HOLIDAY INNS INC. (901-369-5300) THAT
HIS OFFER OF GEORGETOWN HOLIDAY INN MUCH APPRECIATED AND MAY
BE USEFUL AT A LATER DATE.

5. EMBASSY CONCLUDES NO RPT NO POINT IN ATTEMPTING
SWITCH TALKS VENUE TO LAGOS. WE WILL SOON SUBMIT PROPOSED
MATERIALS ON TALKS FOR USE BY PRESIDENT IN CONVERSATIONS
HERE.
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